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In re Application of:
Sullivan, et al



Attorney Docket: **Tie Tek-001**

Serial No.: 09/800,171

Examiner:

Filed: 5 March 2001

Art Unit:

For: *New & Improved Railroad
Tie & Method for Making
Same*

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NON-PROVISIONAL)

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Incomplete Reply (Non-Provisional) mailed 8 November 2001, please find the following:

- A Copy of the Notice of Incomplete Reply, filing date granted (Part 2); and
- Ten (10) Pages of Formal Drawings, in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants respectfully request a one (1) month Extension of Time for reply to the Notice of Incomplete Reply, dated 8 November 2001..

A check in the amount of \$260.00 is enclosed for the Extension of Time, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies or credit any over payment in connection with this Response to USPTO deposit account number 13-2166.

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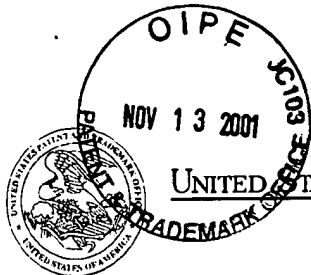
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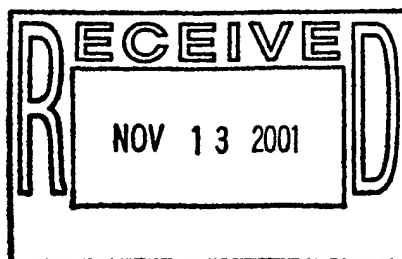


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The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain **EXTENSIONS OF TIME** under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

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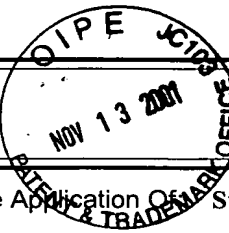
- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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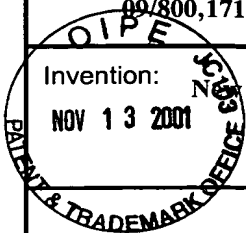
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